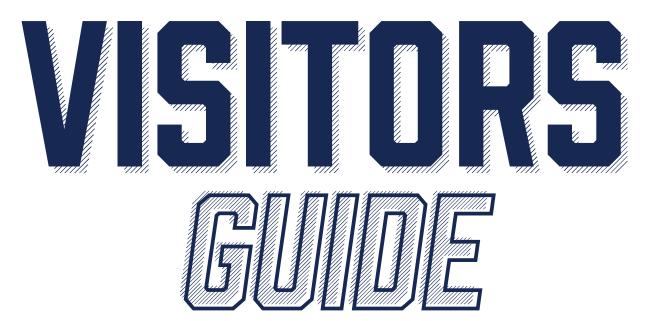


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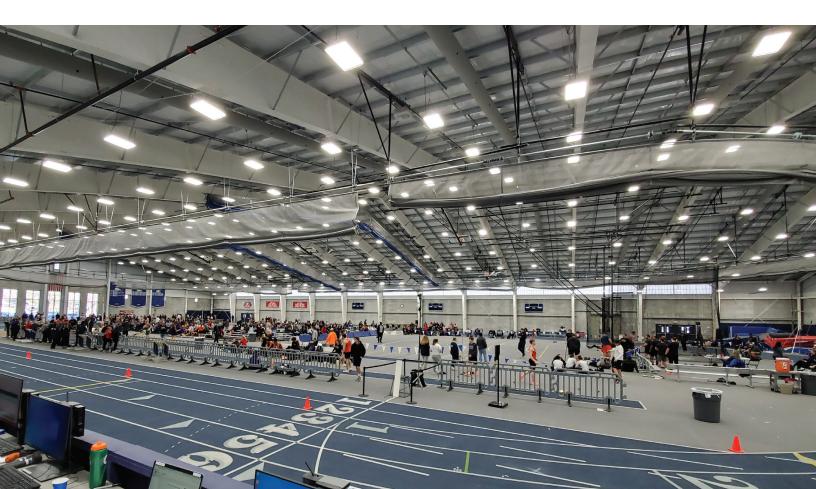
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This document is intended to assist people with planning their trip to Concordia University, Nebraska. Please use this document when preparing to navigate the friendly confines of Concordia and the city of Seward, Nebraska.

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ABOUT CONCORDIA

MISSION STATEMENT

Concordia University, Nebraska is an excellent academic and Christ-centered community equipping men and women for lives of learning, service and leadership in the church and world.

ATHELTICS MISSION STATEMENT

The Bulldog Family, driven by a pursuit of excellence, maximizes athletic, academic, spiritual and character development in a Christ-centered community.

A MESSAGE FROM DEVIN SMITH, DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

The Bulldog Nation welcomes you to the community of Seward and our beautiful campus. It is our desire to provide a sustainable premier student-athlete and shareholder experience within a Christ-centered community. We appreciate your attendance and connection as we celebrate the blessings we have, and the talents displayed by student-athletes, staff and spectators.

Concordia Nebraska takes steps to provide a safe and family-friendly environment, and we demonstrate care for all in attendance and competing. Concordia has a long-standing "Ring the Bell" (#RTB) tradition upon a Bulldog victory. This tradition has taken on another level of pride, passion and protectionism for our past and the present. We mentor people to respect others, their traditions, campus policies and places when traveling throughout the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC). Let's collectively and responsibly cheer and build each other up through athletics within the GPAC & the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

Safe travels, revel in the spirit of competition and work together to make it a great day for everyone in the stands.

DR. BERNARD BULL



GREAT PLAINS ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (GPAC)





CONTACT INFORMATION

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TICKET INFORMATION

\$10 ADULTS

- \$3 K-12 STUDENTS
- \$3 SENIOR CITIZENS
- FREE CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER
- FREE GPAC STUDENTS & FACULTY/STAFF WITH COLLEGE ID

Admission gate pricing for conference tournaments, national tournaments and/or special events may differ.

ONLINE TICKETS

Tickets can be purchased online one week in advance at **cune.edu/athletics/tickets** to assist with capacity limits and expedite entrance to the games upon arrival. The online ticketing process ensures guaranteed admission into games/events when seating capacities are restricted and/or implemented.

FAN & MEDIA INFORMATION

Concordia Nebraska commits to providing the safest environment possible for our student-athletes, coaches, officials, media and spectators. Thus, we take significant measures to ensure firearms, fireworks, substance use, belligerent spectators, etc. are not condoned in our family-friendly setting. All issues are addressed promptly and gracefully and if anyone does not comply with the values of our campus and/or game-day experience then they will be excused from the premise.

FAN INFORMATION

• Specific updates pertaining to community health standards, expectations and/ or protocols can be found at **cune.edu/faninfo**.

HEALTH-RELATED TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS - TEAMS

- Concordia adheres to state and local health guidance for game/ event operations.
- GPAC member teams will be required to follow any GPAC travel protocols.
- Non-conference opponents will follow their conference and/or school-specific protocols and adhere to Bulldog Athletic Department guidance upon arriving and competing in Concordia's venues.

MEDIA INFORMATION

- Concordia invites all credentialed media personnel to cover Bulldog athletic programs, its people and our visiting teams.
- Credentialed media personnel are requested to contact Jake Knabel, Director of Athletic Communications, at least 24 hours in advance about their intentions for covering specific game/events or arranging interviews for generating special stories while visiting our campus.
- All media personnel are asked to properly display credentials while present at athletic games/events. Also, if a media credential is not displayed then the Concordia Sports Information Office will issue a media/sideline pass to wear while serving at our campus and/or athletic department.
- Credentialed media and personnel needing Concordia issued media passes can gain entry and/or obtain a pass to the game up to one hour prior to an event's start time. Please come to the sport-specific entrances, whether it is the North arch gate track/field-level entrance of the Bulldog Stadium and/or at the main admission gate of Friedrich Arena located inside the Walz Human Performance Complex.
- Please notify the Director of Athletic Communications for venue space and resources at least 5-7 days in advance if desiring live-game coverage (radio) needs.
- Contact Jake Knabel, Concordia Director of Athletic Communications
 - ✓ Email jacob.knabel@cune.edu
 - ✓ Phone (563) 543-1439
 - ✓ FAX (402) 643-3966

VISITING TEAM GAME DAY INFORMATION

SOCCER

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the Walz clock tower entrance and guide you to locker room and athletic training facilities. Teams and officials may enter Bulldog Stadium at the field-level north stadium gate entry located in between the Walz Complex and PE Center. The competition surface is available for warmups 60 minutes prior to the game for a women's and men's doubleheader or stand-alone contest. A 25 minute warmup is allowed between games on same date. Visiting team benches are located on the north end of the west sideline. Spectators are asked to use the Bulldog Stadium's south end admissions gate on the east side of the field opposite of team benches.

VOLLEYBALL

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the Walz clock tower entrance and guide you to locker room and athletic training facilities located in the lower level of the Walz Human Performance Complex. The playing surface will be available a maximum of 60 minutes prior to the first contest/event and a minimum of 35 minutes will be allowed for warmups between games. If more warmup time is available between games whether a JV/Varsity doubleheader or during a multi-team tournament setting, then Concordia will ensure publicly posted start times are maintained.

BASKETBALL, DANCE & CHEER

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the Walz clock tower entrance and guide you to locker room and athletic training facilities located in the lower level of the Walz Human Performance Complex. At times, Concordia may have to use other locker room facilities throughout the Walz Complex when hosting multiple events. Visiting teams enter the competition floor through the southwest entry of Friedrich Arena at the end of the lower-level locker room hallway. The competition surface will be available a maximum 60 minutes prior to the first contest/ event and a minimum of 20 minutes (basketball) will be allowed for warmups between games. If more warm-up time is available between games, then Concordia will ensure publicly posted start times are maintained. The visiting team bench is located on the left side (facing) of the score table.

INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the Walz clock tower entrance and guide you to team camp areas, the competition venue and the remote athletic training facilities within the Walz Fieldhouse. Visiting teams enter the Fieldhouse adjacent to the main Walz north entryway. The competition surface will be available 90 minutes prior to the event and locker rooms will be available for multiple teams use throughout the event.

OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD

A Concordia parking lot assistant(s) will be located near the Walz clock tower entry. They will assist with team arrival and communicate with transportation personnel and coaches about how to access the Concordia competition areas, where to park upon team drop-off and share team access points for Bulldog Stadium and the competition surface/areas. The competition areas are available 90 minutes prior to the event, and locker rooms will be available for multiple team use. The Concordia Fieldhouse will be made available in case of inclement weather.

VISITING TEAM GAME DAY INFORMATION

WRESTLING

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the Walz clock tower entrance and guide you to locker room and athletic training facilities located in the lower level of the Walz Human Performance Complex. Visiting teams enter the competition floor through the southwest entry of Friedrich Arena at the end of the lower-level locker room hallway. Weigh-ins begin up to 2 hours prior to the competition and the wrestling surface will be available 60 minutes prior to the first match/event.

BASEBALL & SOFTBALL (SEWARD PLUM CREEK PARK)

A Concordia event manager will arrive approximately 1 hr. & 15 minutes prior to event to meet teams and officials at the city of Seward's Plum Creek Park. If teams need athletic training services prior to games, then please contact our head athletic trainer to arrange services needed. If game officials desire to have locker room needs prior to, between and/or after contest then please connect directly with the Assistant Athletic Director noted in this document's contact information. Park at your own risk in the lot alongside the Memorial Field (Baseball) since it is in foul ball territory. Warm-up times and format is communicated between the baseball coaches prior to arrival for the game day experience and the visiting team dugout is located on the first base line for both baseball and softball. All media needs must be addressed prior to game-day with Concordia's Director of Athletic Communications when press box space is limited.

TENNIS (CONCORDIA INDOOR & OUTDOOR VENUES)

Concordia head tennis coach will advise opposing coaches where to meet upon needs requested prior to the match day. If locker rooms and/or athletic training facilities are needed upon arrival and post-event, then coaches need to communicate a few days leading up to the competition date. The Bulldog tennis coach and/or designee will meet opposing teams upon arrival at the Walz clock tower entrance for indoor tennis matches and/or directly at the Concordia Outdoor Tennis Complex depending upon the site. The competition surfaces will be available 60 minutes prior to the publicly advertised start time.

PARKING

CHARTER BUSES AND/OR LARGER VEHICLES

• All buses and/or larger vehicles will drop off at the Walz clock tower then park on street south of the Bulldog Stadium or in the white rock parking lot east of the Janzow Campus Center.

12-15 PASSENGER VANS AND/OR PERSONNEL VEHICLES

 Teams & Fans – park between the lines in either Walz or PE Center parking lots and/or park in the white rock parking lot south of Bulldog Stadium for outdoor events in Bulldog Stadium and/or at the outdoor tennis courts.

ATHLETIC TRAINING SERVICES

The Concordia Athletic Training rooms are located in the lower level of the Walz Human Performance Complex and the lower level of the PE Center. The Walz Human Performance Complex is available prior, during and for post-game treatments and assessments. Water and ice will be provided alongside the team benches and a certified athletic trainer will be readily available to serve the needs of teams. Opposing teams are requested to bring their own medical supplies and Concordia certified athletic trainers will provide service if needed/requested.

FOOTBALL GAME Day information

TEAM & GAME OFFICIALS ARRIVAL & PARKING

A Concordia event manager will meet the team and officials at the Physical Education (PE) Center entrance. This individual will guide you to locker room and athletic facilities located on the upper level of the facility. Officials enter Bulldog Stadium at the field-level's north arch gate located between the Walz Human Performance Complex and the PE Center. Visiting team's field entrance is the northwest gate of Bulldog Stadium located near the PE Center's lower-level southwest exit. Bulldog Stadium field is available for warmups 2 hours prior to the game and locker rooms are ready for use 3 hours prior the publicly advertised kickoff time.

PARKING

CHARTER BUSES AND/OR LARGER VEHICLES

• Football Team Charter – drop off at PE Center then park on street south of the Bulldog Stadium (facing west) 12-15 PASSENGER VANS AND/OR PERSONNEL VEHICLES

- Team Vehicles park between the lines in either Walz or PE Center parking lots and/or park in the white rock parking lot south of Bulldog Stadium for outdoor events in Bulldog Stadium
- Officials park between the line in the PE Center parking lot
- Fans park between the lines in the PE Center, Walz Human Performance Complex, Dunklau Center and/or the Janzow Campus Center parking lots.
- Opposing fan tailgates Concordia is a "dry" campus, thus no alcohol is allowed on campus. If individuals desire to generate "tailgate" experiences, then please park and/or utilize the white rock parking lot south of Bulldog Stadium for your serving/grilling areas.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES & ATHLETIC TRAINING RESOURCES

Water and ice will be provided in your locker room space and on the visiting team sideline. The visiting sideline and/ or bench area is located on the west sideline opposite of the Bulldog Stadium press box. Concordia provides certified athletic trainer(s), student assistants and an orthopedic surgeon for on-site game-day medical staffing needs.

PRE-GAME WARMUPS

The mandated "L" shape arrangement will begin 70 minutes prior to the game start time and kickers are allowed to use the opposing teams field goal prior to that time frame. Each team's designated "L" area is located from their own sideline to the middle of the field on the opponent's 35 yard line and from the opponent's sideline to the middle of the field on their own 35 yard line. The "L" area will end at the 40-minute mark and teams will then stay on their side of the 50 yard line.

Prior to Kickoff 90 minutes	Warm Up Game clock starts
70 minutes	"L" shaped arrangement begins
40 minutes	"L" shaped arrangement ends
20 minutes	Teams leave the field
12 minutes	Introduction of officials and starting lineups
10 minutes	Teams return to the field
8 minutes	National Anthem
3 minutes	Coin toss
0 minutes	Kick-off

COACHING BOX, SPOTTERS & FILM

The opposing team coaching booth is located in the upper level on the far south end of the Stadium press box. A video room in the Bulldog Stadium press box is available for mid-field filming needs.

FOOTBALL GAME DAY MEDIA (SEE PAGE 5)

RESTAURANTS

AMIGOS/KINGS CLASSIC 402-643-3708 442 North 6th Street

BAGELS & JOE 402-643-2739 522 Seward Street

SIXTH STREET CAFE 402-643-3434 139 N 6th St.

DAIRY QUEEN 402-643-6653 344 North 6th Street

DOMINO'S PIZZA 402-803-1955 132 S. 5th Street

GODFATHER'S PIZZA 402-643-4524 122 North 5th Street

JIMMY JOHN'S 531-727-2582 132 S. 5th Street

LA CARRETA MEXICAN RESTAURANT 402-643-9544 3531 Progressive Drive LA COCINA MEXICAN RESTAURANT 402-646-9219 444 Seward Street

MCDONALD'S 402-643-3789 1397 Progressive Drive

RUNZA 402-643-6520 528 Roberts Street

SPARETIME LOUNGE & GRILL 402-643-3898 23 South 4th Street

SUBWAY 402-643-9590 536 Roberts Street

VALENTINO'S 402-643-4264 1519 West Highway 34

HOTELS

SEWARD AREA COBBLESTONE HOTEL & SUITES

South Hwy 15 402-646-1004 Distance 5 min. / 2.5 miles

EAST HILL MOTEL

131 East Main Street 402-643-3679 Distance 2 min. / 0.5 miles

LIBERTY HOUSE

441 North 5th Street 402-643-2555 Distance 1 min. / 0.5 miles

SUNSET INN & SUITES

South Hwy 15 402-643-3388 Distance 5 min. / 3 miles

LINCOLN DOWNTOWN CORNHUSKER HOTEL

333 South 13th Street 402-474-7474 Distance 33 min. / 25 miles

LINCOLN AIRPORT HAMPTON INN

1055 W. Bond Street 402-474-6465 Distance 27 min. / 24 miles

lincolnairport.hamptoninn.com

- Provide reservation dates
- Click on "Add Special Rate Codes"
- Add Group Code or Corporate
 Account Number
- Concordia Corp ID: #0560066497
- Click "Check Rooms & Rates"
- Book your reservation

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS

1101 West Commerce Way 402-464-0588 Distance 30 min. / 28 miles Lincoln along I-80 Corridor

BEST WESTERN

2201 Wildcat Circle 402-438-0088 Distance 31 min. / 25 miles

